

April 3, 2003

Charles McKee
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Dear Charles,

Enclosed is the Joint Petition for approval of the First Amendment to the Negotiated Interconnection Agreement between Sprint Spectrum, L.P. and SBC Illinois for signature. Our Commission also requires a Verified Statement from both parties, signed and notarized. At the top of your Verification, please indicate what County you operate in.

Please return the signed Joint Petition and your Verified Statement to me overnight mail.

My mailing address is:

Mary C. Velez
SBC Illinois
225 West Randolph, Room 27C
Chicago, IL 60606

Any question, please feel free to call me on 312 551-9150.

Sincerely,

Mary

April 10, 2003

Ms. Elizabeth A. Rolando, Chief Clerk
Illinois Commerce Commission
527 East Capitol Avenue
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9280

Dear Ms. Rolando,

Enclosed please find for filing with the Commission the Joint Petition for Approval of First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Sprint Spectrum, L.P. and SBC Illinois.

Please acknowledge receipt of the Joint Petition by returning the extra copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

Enclosure

STATE OF ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY)	
(SBC Illinois))	
and Sprint Spectrum, L.P.)	
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Joint Petition for Approval of First)	
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Agreement dated February 21, 2003,)	
pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252)	

**JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE
NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
SPRINT SPECTRUM, L.P. AND SBC ILLINOIS**

Illinois Bell Telephone Company ("SBC Illinois") and Sprint Spectrum, L.P. through counsel, hereby request that the Commission review and approve the attached First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated February 21, 2003 pursuant to Sections 252(a)(1) and 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 47 U.S.C. §§ 252 (a)(1), 252(e). In support of their request, the parties state as follows:

1. The Parties have agreed that the Interconnection Agreement be amended to provide for certain terms and conditions and have entered into this Amendment to set forth such terms and conditions.
2. Pursuant to Section 252(e)(2) the Commission may only reject a negotiated agreement if it finds that (1) the agreement discriminates against another carrier or (2) implementation of the Agreement would not be consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Neither basis for rejection is present here.
3. Copies of the First Amendment are available for public inspection in SBC Illinois' public offices.

WHEREFORE, SBC Illinois and Sprint Spectrum, L.P. respectfully request that the Commission approve the attached First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement under Section 252(e) of the Act as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted this _____ day of April, 2003

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STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL

I, Eddie A. Reed, Jr., am Director – Contract Management for Southwestern Bell Telephone, LP, d/b/a Southwestern Bell Telephone Company/Illinois Bell Telephone Company Negotiations and Interconnection, and submit this Statement in Support of the Joint Petition for Approval of the First Amendment to the Negotiated Interconnection Agreement between Sprint Spectrum, L.P. and SBC Illinois.

The attached First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement (the “Agreement”) between Illinois Bell Telephone Company (“SBC Illinois”) and Sprint Spectrum, L.P. (“Sprint”) was reached through voluntary negotiations between the parties. Accordingly, SBC Illinois and Sprint requests approval pursuant to Sections 252(a)(1), 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (sometimes referred to as the “Act”).

The Amendment meets all the requirements of the Act and the Commission should approve it.

The Agreement is amended as follows:

- ◆ Appendix – Wireless Emergency Number Service Access (E911) is attached hereto.
- ◆ This Amendment shall not modify or extend the Effective Date or Term of the underlying Agreement, but rather shall be coterminous with such Agreement.
- ◆ Except as modified herein, all other terms and conditions of the underlying agreement shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

STATE OF KANSAS)

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COUNTY OF)

VERIFICATION

Charles McKee, being first duly sworn, states on oath that he is Counsel for Sprint Spectrum, LP and that the facts stated in the foregoing Joint Petition for Approval of the First Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement and Statement in Support are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Charles McKee

Subscribed and sworn

to before me this

_____ day of _____

Notary Public